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20 (Dr. Lewellys Barker *fulcr.*)

7, Norham Gardens, Oxford
Nov. 1st

Dear Barker

So glad to have your letter this eve & to hear that you are better. You were most wise to have the tonsils attacked. What a source of endless mischief they are! I am much impressed here with the extraordinary frequency of tonsillar enlargements in the children & no doubt the great prevalence of acute rheumatism among them is connected with this. I am so glad that Norton is taking Hurd's place as it will put him in the line for work of this sort. ~~What a worry you must have had about Jack H!~~ Thanks for the offer of quarters but I have promised to stay with Jacobs & I shall put up for a few days at the Hospital so as to see as much as possible of the boys. Emerson's book is taking well here; all those to whom I have sent copies are delighted. → The Harveian went off very well. I could not get in all I wished to say & could not touch two interesting points illustrated in all discoveries of the first rank - the law of anticipation & the law of residuals - very well shown in Harvey's work. I have a nice little clinical class, & the school seems gaining, but the antique collegiate system is very obstructive and it is hard to do much in short terms of 8 weeks - & only three of them.

With love to the family all -

Yours ever

W.O.

*The London School of Medicine has shaken into the second world war into a new position as
Professor of medicine at the time when the first world war was in its last stages:*